

GOD NOT SO CRUEL

Nature Pays No More Attention to Man Than a Dog.

NEW YORK DIVINE SO ASSERTS

Sensationally Declares That if Man Will Not Accept God's Moral Law, that God Will Damn Him and Further, That He Ought to do So.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—Dr. Parkhurst,

In the Madison Avenue Presbyterian church, last night told his congregation he believed in damnation. "The apparent cruelties attributed to God," he said, "are not a circumstance to the cruelties in nature. Natural laws pay no more attention to man than a dog."

"Saints as well as sinners were burned in the Iroquois fire and in the Sicilian disaster. If God burns up a body, he will burn up a soul that gets in the way of his moral laws. The 'God of Love' in 1755 destroyed 30,000 persons in the Lisbon earthquake. He does not amend physical laws to save saints. "If man will not accept God's moral laws, then I should say that God would damn him and I should further say that God ought to damn him."

Bilious Attack Quickly Cured.

A few weeks ago I had a bilious attack that was so severe I was not able to go to the office for two days. Failing to get relief from my family physician's treatment, I took three of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and the next day I felt like a new man.—H. C. Bailey, Editor of the News-Chapin, S. J. C. These tablets are for sale by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

A. D. Parker, the new vice-president of the Colorado & Southern railway, five years ago was "grubstaked." Today he is worth nearly a million.

Chapped Hands.

Wash your hands with warm water, dry with a towel and apply Chamberlain's Salve just before going to bed, and a speedy cure is certain. This salve is also unequalled for skin diseases. For sale by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

Some people go ahead and do things; others sit back idly and criticize the doing. Which class is of greater benefit to the world?

BABY TUCKER'S WONDERFUL CURE

Covered from Head to Foot with Humours—Forty Boils on Head at One Time—Doctors and Drug Bills \$100—Baby Grew Worse.

CURED BY CUTICURA FOR FIVE DOLLARS

Mrs. George H. Tucker, Jr., 335 Greenfield Avenue, Milwaukee, Wis., is a grateful mother. "When six months old," she says, "my little girl weighed a pound and a half less than at birth. When one month old a scab formed on her face, spreading until it completely covered her from head to foot, followed by boils, having forty on her head at one time, and more on her body. Then her skin started to dry up, and it became so bad she could not shut her eyes to sleep. One month's treatment with Cuticura Soap and Ointment made a complete cure, and now my child is as large, strong, and healthy as any child of her age. The doctor's and drug bills were over one hundred dollars, and my baby grew worse all the time. Then we spent less than five dollars for Cuticura and cured her."

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To Skin-Tortured Babies and Tired Mothers.

The suffering which Cuticura Soap and Ointment have alleviated among the young, and the comfort they have afforded worn-out and worried parents, have led to their adoption in countless homes as priceless curatives for birth humours, milk crust, scalled head, eczemas, rashes, and every form of itching, scaly, pimply skin, and scalp humours, with loss of hair, of infancy and childhood. Guaranteed absolutely pure.

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LIFE ON TORPEDO BOATS.

Much Distress in Hot, Cramped Quarters in a Heavy Sea.

Each of the torpedo craft carries a crew of from sixty to seventy men, and when one considers the size of the space in which it is necessary for these men to move about in operating the powerful yet intricate machinery and find sleeping space also one must marvel at the life aboard a vessel of this class.

To live in quarters the size of an ordinary dry goods box is not the life that the everyday American cares to essay. To endure such life for hours at a stretch, without sleep or food, and to stand exposed in all climates—such is life aboard a torpedo craft for officers and men alike.

There is no discrimination. That is why one sees beardless faces and slender figures behind the conning towers when these long, three and four stacked fliers run into port for coal and water at frequent intervals, which is necessary on account of their limited space for carrying these necessities. In the comparatively smooth waters of Norfolk harbor the torpedo boats look very much like the motor racers in disguise, but they are far from being the pleasure craft that the auto boats are, and they go where the helmsman of a motor boat would not dare to venture.

The ocean is the place to see the torpedo boat under way, and then life on board the craft can be seen in its true light. Sticking their bows into the long, green swells, the spray flying above the signal staffs forward and the solid green water washing the low decks continually, is but one picture of life on the rolling deep in a mere shell of a boat.

In the harbor and when at sea in fair weather the torpedo boats run with the hatches open, the commanding officer stands on watch clear of the forward conning tower and the crew lounge on deck, but when the little craft begins to roll and plunge in the seaway the hatches are closed, and, barring the stumpy smokestacks, the vessels resemble baby whales at play. It is then that the crew suffers most while at sea. All must remain below decks or place themselves in jeopardy. To venture above while the vessel is plunging about the sea with decks awash would be extremely hazardous.

Sometimes the steward will essay to climb along the deck from the stern to the forward hatch with a smoking fish clamped tightly in his hands. He is in a race with the seas. If he reaches his destination forward he is lucky. If the seas get there first the fishes get the food.

In the event of the seas overtaking him, then he has to scramble back to the galley and await another chance. This is an amusing incident of life aboard, to watch the steward essay the trip in rough weather.

Intense heat prevails below decks when the craft is under way with hatches closed, and the humidity is one of the inconveniences to which the crew of a torpedo boat is subjected and is one of the most objectionable features of life aboard the torpedo craft, as the heat is oppressive and fearful at times, with all four boilers under full draft and ponderous engines throbbing and pulsating at full speed of perhaps twenty-five to thirty knots.—Norfolk Landmark.

Benbow and His Messmate.

When the brave Admiral Benbow was a common sailor his messmate, who was stationed with him at the same gun, lost his leg by a cannon shot. The poor fellow called to his friend Benbow, who took him upon his shoulder and descended with him to the cockpit, but it happened that just as the poor fellow's head came upon a level with the deck another ball carried that off also. Benbow, however, knew nothing of the matter and carried the body down to the surgeon, calling out to the latter that he had brought a patient, desiring some one to bear a hand. The surgeon turned about and exclaimed:

"Why, what do you do here with a man who has lost his head?" "Lost his head," says Benbow. "A lying scoundrel! He told me it was his leg, but I never believed what he said in my life without being sorry for it afterward."

Malay Literature.

The Malay tribes possess but little in the way of literature, the greater part, like that of Java, consisting of romances known under the Sanskrit name of "cheritra," or the Arabic one of "hikayat." Their subjects are taken from the Hindoo epics, from the local legends of Java, from the Mohammedan tales from Arabia and from the stories of Malay princes, hardly less fabulous. Such compositions differ from those of the Javanese in that the greater number of them are in prose. The Malays are possessed of no ancient manuscripts or inscriptions on stone or brass. Their whole literature, all in the Arabic character, is certainly not of greater antiquity than their conversion to the Mohammedan religion, the earliest recorded specimen of it being the vocabulary of the Italian Pigafetta, collected in the Moluccas in 1521.

Best Liniment on Earth.

Henry D. Baldwin, Supt. City Water Works, Shullsburg, Wis., writes: "I have tried many kinds of liniment, but I have never received much benefit until I used Ballard's Snow Liniment for rheumatism and pains. I think it the best liniment on earth." 25c, 50c, and \$1.00. Sold by Hart's drug store.

Constipation.

Health is absolutely impossible, if constipation be present. Many serious cases of liver and kidney complaint have sprung from neglected constipation. Such a deplorable condition is unnecessary. There is a cure for it. Herbine will speedily remedy matters. C. A. Lindsay, P. M., Bronson, Fla. writes, Feb. 12, 1892: "Having used Herbine, I find it a fine medicine for constipation. Sold by Frank Hart."

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Astoria National Bank

At Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, November 9, 1905.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$298,334.02
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	5,194.55
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,500.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	750.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	46,897.98
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	4,485.25
Other real estate owned	29,375.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	15,943.49
Due from State Banks and Bankers	8,347.17
Due from approved reserve agents	133,740.40
Checks and other cash items	3,450.77
Notes of other National Banks	800.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	1,417.71
Lawful money reserve in bank viz:	
Specie	\$61,486.50
Legal-tender notes	1,526.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	625.00
Total	\$624,933.84
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus fund	10,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	36,835.59
National Bank notes outstanding	9,700.00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$265,749.65
Demand certificates of deposit	\$35,016.30
Time certificates of deposit	217,632.30
Total	\$624,933.84

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop, ss: I, J. E. Higgins, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. E. HIGGINS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of November, 1905.

E. Z. FERGUSON, Notary Public.

(Seal) Correct—Attest: GEO. H. GEORGE, GEORGE W. WARREN, L. MANSUR, Directors.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First National Bank

At Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, November 9, 1905.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$319,730.05
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	1,144.34
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,500.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	73,380.00
Other real estate owned	6,000.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	15,733.31
Due from State Banks and Bankers	76,837.56
Due from approved reserve agents	210,401.46
Checks and other cash items	493.36
Notes of other National Banks	405.00
Nickels and cents	60.66
Lawful money reserve in bank viz:	
Specie	\$135,500.00
Legal-tender notes	155 135,655.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	625.00
Total	\$852,965.74

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus fund	50,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	41,944.30
National Bank notes outstanding	12,500.00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$530,968.33
Demand certificates of deposit	167,406.11
Certified checks	147.00
Total	\$852,965.74

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop, ss: I, S. S. Gordon, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

S. S. GORDON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of November, 1905.

C. A. COOLIDGE, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest: W. F. MCGREGOR, G. C. FLAVEL, JACOB KAMM, Directors.

Croup.

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